

REMARKS

This is a full and timely response to the outstanding non-final Office Action mailed February 27, 2007. Reconsideration and allowance of the application and pending claims are respectfully requested.

I. Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 102(b)

Claims 1, 3, 5-7, 9, 10, 12, 13, 19, and 22-24 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by *Chen* (U.S. Pat. No. 6,081,278).

As indicated above, Applicant has amended remaining independent claims 1 and 10 through this Response. In view of those amendments, Applicant respectfully submits that the rejections are moot as having been drawn against Applicant's claims in a previous form. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the rejections be withdrawn.

Turning to the merits of the *Chen* reference, Applicant notes that *Chen* at least does not teach a method including or means for identifying at least one of a filename or a storage location of a multi-mode image file from which a relatively high-resolution image has been extracted, the multi-mode image file comprising sequences of relatively low-resolution images of an observed scene and relatively high-resolution images of the observed scene that were captured between the sequences of relatively low-resolution images. Furthermore, *Chen* does not teach means for automatically storing an indication of the at least one of filename or a storage location of the multi-mode image file as metadata associated with the extracted relatively high-resolution image.

II. Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

A. Rejection of Claims 2, 4, 11, 15-17, 21, and 26

Claims 2, 4, 11, 15-17, 21, and 26 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Chen* in view of *Jouppi, et al.* ("Jouppi," U.S. Pat. No. 6,292,713).

As indicated above, Applicant has amended remaining independent claims 1, 10, and 15 through this Response. In view of those amendments, Applicant respectfully submits that the rejections are moot as having been drawn against Applicant's claims in a previous form. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the rejections be withdrawn.

B. Rejection of Claims 8, 14, 18, and 25

Claims 8, 14, 18, and 25 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Chen* in view of *Examiner's Official Notice* ("Examiner's Official Notice"). Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

As indicated above, Applicant has amended remaining independent claims 1, 10, and 15 through this Response. In view of those amendments, Applicant respectfully submits that the rejections are moot as having been drawn against Applicant's claims in a previous form. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the rejections be withdrawn.

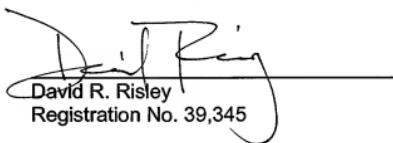
III. Canceled Claims

Claims 2-6, 11, 12, 16, 17, and 19-26 have been canceled from the application without prejudice, waiver, or disclaimer. Applicant reserves the right to present these canceled claims, or variants thereof, in continuing applications to be filed subsequently.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that Applicant's pending claims are in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the present application and all pending claims are hereby courteously requested. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephonic conference would expedite the examination of this matter, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (770) 933-9500.

Respectfully submitted,



The image shows a handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "David R. Risley". Below the signature, there is a horizontal line. Underneath the line, the name "David R. Risley" is printed in a standard font, followed by "Registration No. 39,345".